COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF:

APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION FOR)
APPROVAL OF SPECIAL CONTRACT PURSUANT) Case No.
TO ITS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RIDER	

APPLICATION

Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos" or "Company") respectfully petitions the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") for approval of a special contract entered into by and between the Company and Metalsa Structural Products, Inc. dated as of February 6, 2015, a true and correct copy of which is attached as **EXHIBIT A**, (the "Contract").

Atmos' filed tariffs contain an Economic Development Rider (EDR) which became effective May 1, 2012. A copy of the Company's EDR tariff is attached as **EXHIBIT B**.

The stated purpose of the Company's EDR is to enhance its system utilization while encouraging industrial development and job growth within its service areas. The EDR is available for both qualifying new customers and expansion of existing establishments.

As reflected in the attached Contract, Metalsa is expanding its existing facility, which is currently being served by Atmos. It is anticipated that the expansion will require a capital investment of approximately \$35,000,000 and will create approximately 176 jobs. With this expansion, an increase in natural gas consumption of more than 4500 mcf per year is projected.

In accordance with the Company's EDR tariff, a discount of 25% per year is provided, with a four (4) year discount period. The Metalsa Contract's term is for eight (8) years.

The attached Contract fully complies with Atmos' EDR Special Terms and Conditions appearing on PSC Ky. No. 2, Original Sheets 40 and 41. All information required by Item 2 of the Special Terms and Conditions are contained in the attached contract, other than the Company's current marginal cost of service study, which was filed in the Company's recent rate case, KPSC 2013-000148.

The Contract is to become effective on the first day of the month following the month in which the agreement is approved by the Commission.

WHEREFORE, Company petitions the Commission for approval of the attached Agreement.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of April, 2015.

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VERIFICATION

I, Mark A. Martin, being duly sworn under oath, state that I am Vice President of Rates and Regulatory Affairs for Atmos Energy Corporation, and that the statements contained in the foregoing Petition are true as I verily believe.

Mark A. Martin

STATE OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF DAVIESS

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me by Mark A. Martin, on this the 27th day of April, 2015.

Notary Public
Notary ID: 468481
My Commission Expires: July 30, 2016